

## Farmers Market Temporary Food Service Enforcement Procedure

Food vendors who are working at farmers markets and found to have one or more “imminent health hazards” will be closed. To reopen, they must describe, in writing, how they will solve the problem(s) and pay for and receive a Farmers Market Temporary Permit.

Imminent health hazards, if not corrected immediately, could cause a foodborne illness. Some examples of imminent health hazards at farmers markets are:

- (a) Any handwash violation where the food handler is unable to wash their hands. Examples: the temporary handwash is not set up before food is prepared; there is no soap, and/or no paper towels, and/or no water.
- (b) Broken equipment or not enough equipment for potentially hazardous foods to be at correct temperatures. Examples: food is transported to the market without ice; food is left out at room temperature.
- (c) An inspection score of thirty five (35) or more red points.

Permit Category:	FIRST TIME the inspector finds an Imminent Health Hazard	SECOND TIME the inspector finds an Imminent Health Hazard (Farmers Markets – Round Two)
<b>Conditionally Exempt from Permit</b> Sliced fruits and vegetables for sampling, Popcorn, Kettle corn, Cotton candy, Corn on the cob, Whole roasted peppers, Roasted nuts Machine-crushed ice drinks Commercially made caramel apples	Your Conditional Exemption is no longer valid (for that location only). If the violation(s) can be corrected while the inspector is on the market grounds and gives written approval, the booth may operate for the rest of that market day. HOWEVER, to operate your booth again on the next market day: (a) Submit a Farmers Market Temporary application with the fee at least three days before you plan to return to the market and (b) Bring in a letter explaining changes you have made so the violation(s) will not happen again. Before you can open your business at that market again you must have the explanation letter reviewed, the application approved and the permit issued. You do not need a permit to open and sell only items EXEMPT from the food code like nonready-to-eat, unprocessed fruits and vegetables.	Your booth is closed and the permit suspended (for that location). You may not reopen for the rest of the market day. HOWEVER, before you can operate at the market again you must: (a) Submit a new Farmers Market Temporary application with the fee at least three days before you plan to return to the market and (b) Bring in a letter explaining what changes you have made so the violation(s) will not happen again. (c) The inspector will let you know whether a meeting in the office will be required. Your business may not operate at the market until after the meeting in the office (if required) has taken place, the letter has been reviewed, the application approved and the permit issued.
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